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Introductory Comments

This AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE, which is in reply to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2002, is being filed together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), a Petition for a two month Extension of Time, and the appropriate fees. The format herein conforms to the Revised Format suggested at: <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/revamdtprac.htm>.